



2006 RHODE ISLAND CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION MONTH

MAY EVENT CALENDAR

Rhode Island's Lead Paint Lawsuit and Its Impact

Monday May 15, 2006

Time: 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

Location: RI Department of Health Auditorium.

Assistant RI Attorney General Neil F.X. Kelly, and John McConnell, from the Law Firm of Motley Rice LLC, will give a presentation detailing their thought processes, and trial strategies, that were used in Rhode Island's historic suit against the Paint Manufacturers.

Video: "The Legacy of Childhood Lead Poisoning"

Video of the presentation made by Dr. Herbert L. Needleman at Brown University April 26, 2006.

Monday May 22, 2006

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Location: RI Department of Health Auditorium

Dr. Herbert Needleman was the honored guest lecturer for the Annual Brown University Public Health Research Day Conference, and was gracious enough to let his lecture be videotaped.

In 1979 Dr. Needleman mounted the first large-scale study of intelligence and behavior in children with no outward signs of lead poisoning. He followed these children into adulthood, showing that lead exposure is associated with increased risk for failure to graduate from high school and for reading disabilities. His work played a key role in the decisions made by the Environmental Protection Agency to mandate the removal of lead from gasoline and by the Consumer Product Safety Commission to ban lead from interior paints. Additionally, Dr. Needleman's studies prompted the Department of Housing and Urban Development to remove lead from thousands of housing units across the country. He founded the Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, an education and advocacy organization with which he continues to work to reduce the hazards of lead-based paint in many inner city homes. Dr. Needleman received the Heinz Award in the Environment in 1995 and is a consultant to the Environmental Protection Agency, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Office of Housing and Urban Development, and state and local governments.

Lead Hazard Mitigation Awareness Seminar

Saturday, June 3, 2006 2:00-4:00 PM

Channel 36 / Cox channel 8 / Dish 7776 / DirecTV 36.

As a public service, Rhode Island PBS will televise the two-hour Lead Hazard Mitigation Awareness Seminar on Saturday, June 3 from 2-4 PM on channel 36 / Cox channel 8 / Dish 7776 / DirecTV 36.

This free seminar presents information most owners, sellers and buyers of rental property built in Rhode Island before 1978 need to know about the new Rhode Island Lead Hazard Mitigation Law. Registration is required through leadsafekids.org to receive a certificate. Realtors and insurance agents will also find the seminar informative. Information is available at www.leadsafekids.org

May Is Lead Poisoning Prevention Month



Healthy Homes
Healthy Children

Free Lead Hazard Training Awareness Classes During May

The following are FREE 3-hour Lead Hazard Awareness classes for the month of May:

- Friday May 5, 2006 – (9:00am - 12:00pm) RI Food Bank, 200 Niantic Avenue, Cranston, RI.
- Monday May 8, 2006 (Spanish) – (5:30pm -8:30pm) SWAP-- Community Room, 459 Pine Street, Providence, RI.
- Wednesday May 10, 2006 – (5:30pm - 8:30pm) William Hall, Cranston Public Library, 1825 Broad Street, Cranston RI.
- Wednesday May 17, 2006 – (5:30pm - 8:30pm) Gibbs College, Room 210, 85 Garfield Avenue, Cranston, RI.
- Friday May 26, 2006 – (9am -12pm) Gibbs College, Room 202, 85 Garfield Avenue, Cranston, RI.

There is also a FREE 8-hour Lead Safe Renovator Remodeler training class being offered on May 13th.

- Saturday May 13, 2006 – (8:30am - 4:30pm) Gibbs College, 85 Garfield Avenue, Cranston, RI.
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Pre Registration for all classes is required... You can register by calling Olga Granados at (401) 785-1310 x 201. All classes are free.

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